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Classified Ads

Minimum charge of 15c, or five cents a line, counting five words to the line. Positively no ads will be taken for this column without cash in advance, as items are too small to take the trouble to enter charge accounts.

FOR SALE—RESIDENCE PROPERTY

FOR SALE—Fine modern residence, close in. Gas, electric lights, cistern, garage, corner lot. Terms to suit. Reasonable for quick sale. Also two good lots. Inquire 709 N. Court St. 46-1f-c

FOR SALE—My new bungalow on Elmwood st., two blocks from No. 3 factory. Terms to responsible party. Geo. H. O'Neal. 48-2-p

FOR SALE—Ten acres of choice land with good new house, near city, well tiled, all improved. Will sell at a bargain. Inquire of F. W. Hooper. 47-1f-c

FOR SALE—45 acres in Florida, all fenced, with good house, bar two wells; good drinking water and fruit trees. Will sell for small payment down, or exchange for Alma property. Inquire at 1215 Dean st., Bell phone 202-F5. 49-2-n

TO RENT—ROOMS

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room, suitable for two, at 122 S. State St. 47-1f-l

FOR RENT—Three modern furnished light housekeeping rooms, 611 Wright ave. 49-1-p

FOR RENT—Furnished room for two girls, with privilege of getting two meals a day on gas stove. Centrally located. 128 Ely st., or call Bell 97-2R. 49-2-p

FOR RENT—Rooms for light housekeeping. 527 Wright ave. 49-1f-d

FOR RENT—2 furnished rooms for light housekeeping or for sleeping rooms. Wm. Johnson, 519 Richmond st. 49-1-p

HELP WANTED

GIRL WANTED—Good girl to work at DeLuxe Candy Company's ice cream parlors. Wanted at once. 46-1f-c

COOK WANTED—Competent cook capable of taking entire charge in private house. Good wages, pleasant surroundings and good home. Inquire at this office. 48-1-c

WANTED—Experienced office man who is thoroughly familiar with all details of accounting. Must have executive ability. Only those having had enough prior experience to take charge of an office need apply. Applicants must not be over 37 years old. Address P. O. Box J, Alma, Mich. 48-2-c

WANTED—Live agent to write automobile insurance in different districts. R. H. Fletcher, Bay City, Mich. 47-3-c

WANTED—Telephone operators. Apply to chief operator, Michigan State Telephone Co., over Clapp's hardware. 49-1-p

WANTED—Good all-around man for plumbing and heating work, with some knowledge of sheet metal work. Steady work. 60c per hour. Inquire Carl Heingelman, Midland, Mich. 49-1-c

WANTED—Good woman for general work at 230 Prospect st., Union phone 477-2R. 49-1-p

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—First State Bank savings department book No. 1138, made out to J. H. Seaver, Ithaca. Finder please return to First State Bank. 49-1-p

LOST—Bunch of keys on two rings, with belt clip. Finder please leave at this office. Albin Johnson. 49-1-c

LOST—Ladies' leather handbag, containing sum of money, also Macabee lodge book with name of owner and number of tent inside. Was lost last Monday on streets of Alma between depot and 518 Center st. Finder please return to Mrs. E. E. Willet, 518 W. Center st. 49-1-p

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

PLANTS FOR SALE—10,000 Short Stemmed Danish Ballhead cabbage (best winter cabbage grown), 50c per hundred; 10,000 John Baer tomato plants, 75c per hundred (most desirable kind for canning); 5,000 Early Snowball cauliflower, 75c per hundred. Above prices are at garden, one mile east and one and one-half miles south of East Superior street crossing. Smith & Walston, Bell phone 18-3R, R. F. D. 3, Alma. 47-1f-c

FOR SALE—Maxwell 5-passenger automobile in good condition. Inquire of J. A. Bartley. 48-1f-c

FOR SALE—Five passenger 1915 Studebaker, 5 good tires, A1 condition. \$375.00 if taken at once. Frank I. Roberts, Bell phone 84-F4. 47-4-p

FOR SALE—Sixteen chicken coop two small coops, 50 ten-weeks' old white Orpington chicks, brooder; cheap if taken at once. Harry Willard, Wright House Barber Shop. 49-1-c

FOR SALE—Steel range, nearly new, old stove, nearly new, heating stove, nearly new, couch, nearly new, cot bed, washing machine, several crocks, fruit cans and dinner pails. Inquire at 505 River ave. 49-1-p

FOR SALE—Span of matched colts, four and five years old, weight 2500, well broke. E. W. Foster, Alma, R. F. D. No. 1. 49-1-c

FOR SALE—Davenport and library table, nearly new. Inquire at 426 E. Downey st. 49-1-p

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—To rent, a seven or eight-room house in good location. Will give lease. J. E. Collins, care Swift & Co. 48-1f-c

WANTED—A 1917 Hupmobile, must be in A1 condition. Call Mr. DeOrlow, care Republic Motor Truck Co. 49-1-c

FOR RENT—Basement store room for rent. Light, airy, modern. Inquire at First State Bank. 48-2-c

CINDERS FREE for the hauling. Inquire at Central Michigan Michigan Light & Power plant. 49-1f-c

BUILDING FOR SALE—I am offering for sale a three-story building, built 30 years ago for a large hotel, which has always been well painted. The material is all first-class and will be sold at a price so that it can be wrecked and moved to Alma. One mile from railroad. Address R. D. Frederick, Sherman, Mich. 49-1-c

WANTED—Having had part of a set of racing hobbles brought in to me, I would like to have the rest of the set brought in. Am willing to pay a good price. W. F. Wier, second-hand dealer, 211 W. Superior st. 49-1-p

NURSE—Those wishing a nurse in confinement cases will do well to call on Mrs. Estella Rountree, 619 Hannah ave., Union 408-3. 49-1-p

FOR SALE—Tent, 12x16, used less than three months. A bargain. Union phone 227. 49-1-p

NOTICE—The person who borrowed our electric fan sometime last summer is requested to return the same as we desire to use it. Ford Garage. 49-2-c

WANTED AT ONCE.

A 40-acre farm to trade for Alma property. Must be good land.

We have a 120-acre farm to trade for property that is located close in. A modern house to rent.

A buyer for a 6-room bungalow, with basement dug out, price only \$1800; \$100 down and \$20 per month.

A buyer for a 6-room bungalow, with full size basement all cemented, and good cistern, only \$2,000 with \$150 cash and \$20 per month.

A buyer for a new modern house, only \$3,300 with \$100 down and monthly payments.

PARNELL & BOYD,

Bartley Block. Both Phones

Estate of Elias H. Ravecraft, Deceased

HEARING CLAIMS

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate office in the village of Ithaca in said county, on the 26th day of June, 1918.

Present: J. Lee Potts, Judge.

In the Matter of the Estate of Elias H. Ravecraft, Deceased.

The above estate having been admitted to Probate and Lillian Ravecraft and John W. Ravecraft appointed executors thereof.

It is ordered that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present their claims against said estate and that such claims will be heard by said court on Tuesday, the 25th day of October, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

A true copy. Attest: J. LEE POTTS, JUDGE OF PROBATE.

WADSWORTH BARNES, Clerk of Probate. (49-4)

"EAT MORE POTATOES"

URGES MR. PRESCOTT

FOOD ADMINISTRATOR APPEALS TO MICHIGAN PEOPLE TO HELP USE UP SURPLUS TUBERS.

BE LOYAL TO OUR FARMERS

"This is the Best Way You Can Show Your Patriotism at This Time," Prescott Tells Us.

Lansing—"Eat more potatoes and be sure they're Michigan grown."

With that slogan, the United States Food Administration for Michigan has inaugurated a campaign to encourage the free marketing and consumption of the surplus potato stocks in the State.

Food Administrator Prescott has enlisted the co-operation of all agencies of the potato trade, state and local authorities, various organizations, and the press. Similar campaigns are being held in every other section of this country and during the next few weeks the great potato crop of Michigan and America will be moved from producing centers to points of consumption as rapidly as the public will consume the delectable "spuds."

"To eat potatoes is the best kind of local, home grown patriotism," says Mr. Prescott. "The reason for a potato campaign in Michigan is that the food bins are heaped with potatoes at the answer of the farmer to last year's appeal for the bumper war crops. The potato, grown through patriotism should be eaten through patriotism. With so many other things scarce, potatoes, which are plentiful, should not go to waste. And they will go to waste if they are not eaten in the next few weeks."

"Potatoes are a strictly made-in-America product. They grow on this continent when the Mohawks and the Cherokees ruled it with a tomahawk. They are the gift of America to Europe and Europe has gone one better. England, France, Germany, Belgium have made the potato a naturalized citizen, while Ireland, God bless her, has almost made it a Patron Saint along with St. Patrick himself."

"In spite of its adoption in other countries, however, the potato proved it was a true American last year when the crops were called to the front for war service. It enlisted in the front ranks of the food forces, with the result that we have such a potato crop as was never known in this country. Europe does not need to share out potatoes. They are too bulky to ship at this time when ships must be saved for troops and for the more essential and concentrated foods. Therefore the best form of patriotism is to eat our bumper crop and make it help save wheat."

"The situation, in brief, is this," continued Mr. Prescott. "We have not enough wheat for the Allies and ourselves. We have an abundance of potatoes and excess of 90,000,000 bushels over normal times. If we are to win this war the Allies must have wheat. The potato cannot quite come up to wheat in food value but it does come about as close to taking the place of wheat as any other food. Therefore by eating potatoes we can save wheat for the Allies."

"Michigan people should rally to

the support of the potato, for it is a native of our State. When it is realized that the potato is one of the chief foods now sustaining Germany and that the other European countries are largely dependent upon it, its importance in the war may readily be seen.

"Americans first realized how important a part in their daily food the potato played when last year a scarcity of this vegetable drove its prices to prohibitive heights. The result of those sky high prices still has its effect this season. When the Spring came, everyone planted potatoes. The farmer was particularly urged to lay out his land in potatoes as a patriotic duty. Accordingly although the average yield per acre was not large, there was an abundance of potatoes produced which have not been sold.

"The farmer had to pay high prices for his seed. It was difficult to obtain labor for tending and digging the crop and what labor he did procure cost him two or three times as much as ordinarily. A large item of expense was the fertilizer which has advanced in price because the acids it contains are being used for munition making.

"As a result, many a potato farmer is not making as much as he did several years ago when potatoes retailed at 50c per bushel and less. They should certainly be encouraged to plant potatoes this year by consumption of the crop they have produced. Instead of having them rot in their barns, or left to be fed to the hogs."

"Although the potato is a native vegetable, the American per capita consumption is very low, averaging only about one-half that of Europe. This is probably largely due to the fact that bread has always been high priced abroad and low here. The present price of bread in this country will probably make the people turn more to potatoes.

"At a time when the world is so in need of food it would be criminal to waste anything so important as the potato. It becomes the plain duty of the people of Michigan and every other State to eat up their potatoes grown in response to a military necessity," concluded the Michigan food chief.

COLORADO WOMAN WRITES HERBERT HOOVER, ON FOOD REGULATIONS

"I am situated about thirty miles from a railroad. Keep a sort of family hotel, often for days there is none but the family here. Then again we have ranchmen, cattlemen, campers, politicians and such people as patronize a country place. We have a good sized place, keep our own cows and pigs, chickens and a flock of turkeys; a good garden, raise potatoes, corn, beans, squash, etc., as field crops.

"Our meatless days are filled with chicken, fish, both fresh and canned, cheese, butter, dried, fresh and canned fruit, 'our own products', a mess of rabbits fried at breakfast, stewed and baked for dinner, with all kinds of home grown vegetables and fruits. We have lots of honey from our own bees, corn bread every day, corn cakes at breakfast. Rye flour is hard to get and costs as much as wheat.

"It only requires a little tact and consideration in managing without wheat and meat. Cheese in small quantities helps. Assorted dried fruit and fruit sauce helps. Honey to sweeten fruits goes a long way instead of sugar.

"I have lived here in this place since I was three years old, or since 1872, and have grown up over a cook stove, cooking, baking, boiling, frying, etc., besides milking cows, making butter, preserving, drying fruits, and at the same time I am the oldest girl in a family of eleven children, eight of them born on this creek. I can make a few things go a long way, clothing, shoes and in other respects.

"We are all true Americans. I am eligible to the Daughters of the American Revolution. My father went through the confederacy under Jos. Wheeler.

"I wish every poor housewife had the real experience of economizing and saving that I have had all my life. A little matter of meatless and wheatless days would not worry them so much to win the war."

COAL CONSUMERS MUST BUY WINTER SUPPLY NOW

Consumers must buy their winter supply of coal during the Spring and Summer for storage if production is to be maintained at a maximum and the country enabled to avoid a serious coal shortage this winter.

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